

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Hubert FRANCOIS  
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For: COMPOSITE WEAR COMPONENT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO LESSEN FEES

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 4, lines 1-2, delete "any one of the preceding claims",  
insert --claim 1--;  
Claim 5, lines 1-2, delete "any one of the preceding claims",  
insert --claim 1--;  
Claim 6, lines 1-2, delete "any one of the preceding claims",  
insert --claim 1--;  
Claim 7, lines 1-2, delete "any one of the preceding claims",  
insert --claim 1--;  
Claim 10, lines 2-3, delete "any one of the preceding claims",  
insert --claim 1--.

REMARKS

The foregoing Preliminary Amendment is requested in order to delete the multiple dependent claims and avoid paying the multiple dependent claims fee.

Early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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